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Examiner: Frank Duong
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PLURALITY OF PRE-DEFINED CODES INTO A
SEARCH KEY AND FOR LOCATING A LONGEST
MATCHING PRE-DEFINED CODE
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**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2) TO
WITHDRAW APPLICATION FROM ISSUE**

A Notice of Allowance was mailed in the subject case on **November 12, 2004** specifying a due date for payment of the issue fee of **February 14, 2005**. On or about **December 16, 2004**, Applicant submitted the issue fee. Subsequently, an editorial error was noticed in the claims.

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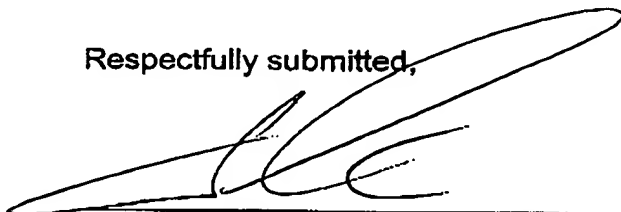
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The nature of the error is as follows. In an amendment filed May 20, 2004, Applicant inadvertently amended the language "processor circuit" to read "memory processor", instead of "memory" (as in "memory configured to direct the processor circuit [to perform certain actions]..."). This may cause some ambiguity in the affected claims. Unfortunately, the Examiner appears to have missed the error as well. Applicant proposes to cure the error by deleting the word "processor" following the word "memory" in the affected claims, and requests that the Examiner consider this amendment in the accompanying Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Applicant respectfully urgently requests that this petition be granted, and also requests further favorable consideration of the application. The Office is authorized to charge the petition fee of \$130.00 set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(h), and any other appropriate fees, to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 06-0713.

Respectfully submitted,



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